

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome People, Parliamentary and Communications Group

DEEWR Question No. EW138_09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Co-ordination of Ministerial Briefs and advice from the Department

At what time in the morning do staff members from the Department responsible for providing media clips and early morning briefings commence work to assist the Minister with media monitoring or preparation of Departmental and Question Time briefs?

Answer

Departmental staff responsible for providing this support to the DMPO commence work at varying times depending on the requirement at that time, work hours are adjusted accordingly.

The Department is committed to providing flexibility in working arrangements. This allows the Department to be responsive to operational requirements and also to assist employees to balance their personal and work commitments.